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PROPOSED CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (currently amended) A system for distributing digital images to a user, the system comprising:

an image capture device for creating digital images, wherein the digital images include metadata containing information about the digital images;

at least one image server in communication with the image capture device, the image server receiving and storing digital images transmitted from the image capture device; and

at least one programmable software agent in communication with the at least one image server, the at least one software agent including at least one set of user-specified criteria for selecting digital images, wherein for each set of user-specified criteria the at least one software agent automatically and repeatedly ~~comparing programmed;~~ compares the user-specified criteria with the available digital image metadata to evaluate and select a subset of the digital images provided by the image server for distribution to the user.

15. (currently amended) A method for distributing digital images to a user, the method comprising:

transmitting digital images from an image capture device to at least one image server, the digital images including metadata containing information about the digital images;

receiving and storing the digital images at the at least one image server; and

providing at least one set of user-specified criteria for selecting digital images to at least one programmable software agent in communication with the at least one image server;
and

for each set of user-specified criteria, automatically and repeatedly comparing ~~programmed;~~ the user-specified criteria with the available digital image metadata in order to evaluate and select a subset of the digital images for distribution to the user using the at least one programmable software agent ~~in communication with the at least one image server.~~